IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	Byron G. Merrell et al.))) Art Unit
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For:	RETORT HEATING APPARATUS AND METHODS OF USE)))
Examiner:	Alexis A. Wachtel)

AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE UNDER 37CFR 1.312

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In response to the Notice of Allowance of September 21, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.